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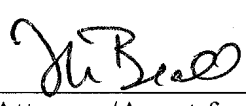
Applicants, through counsel, respectfully request a one (1) month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), or such other extension of time as is necessary, to respond to the Office Action dated August 9, 2002 currently due September 9, 2002. Please charge the fee of \$110.00, and any additional fees or surcharges necessary to make this response timely, to the deposit account of the undersigned corporation, Deposit Account No. 03-3325, and credit any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 20, 2002

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